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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

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OCTOBER 20, 2009

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPT TWO GRANT AWARDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009
CONGRESSIONALLY SELECTED AWARDS PROGRAM
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request Board approval for the Sheriff to accept two grant awards in the total amount of \$335,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Advanced Surveillance and Protection (ASAP) Project and Gang CopLink Project. The term of these projects is for a three-year period, from October 1, 2009, to September 30, 2012.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff or his designee to accept two grant awards from BJA in the amount of \$35,000 for the ASAP Project, and \$300,000 for the Gang CopLink Project, with no local match requirement.
2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, to sign and execute the grant award, including execution of amendments, modifications, augmentations, extensions, grant renewals, and other applicable grant documents.

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PURPOSE /JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department will utilize grant funding in the amount of \$35,000 to purchase an Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) camera system for an ASAP vehicle. The primary purpose of this system is to reduce the level of criminal activity in Temple Sheriff's Station's jurisdiction and its five contract cities, by utilizing emerging technology to increase patrol efficiencies.

The Department will utilize grant funding in the amount of \$300,000 to upgrade the Gang CopLink program, a gang data and analysis database, with the addition of a gang intelligence information node.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These projects are consistent with the Los Angeles County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, by deploying advanced technology to expand intelligence gathering capabilities, evidence collection, and crime intervention, prevention, and deterrence; and Goal 5, Public Safety, by strengthening the safety and effectiveness of law enforcement personnel and creating a safer environment for the residents of Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Funding for the ASAP Project is in the amount of \$35,000, and funding for the Gang CopLink Project is in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount of \$335,000. No match is required.

Funding for these projects has been included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2009-10 Budget. The amount will be fully offset by grant funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The ALPR camera system, which will be affixed to an ASAP patrol car's light bar, can capture vehicle license plate images with remarkable speed rates. The captured information is automatically processed through a computer database. The deputy is instantly notified with an audible and visible alert of all wanted or stolen vehicles in the camera's range. The use of this tool will not only lead to the capture of more wanted suspects but will strengthen front line law enforcement functions, enhance criminal prosecution with video evidence, and provide real-time intelligence to improve officer safety.

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The Gang CopLink project will achieve more effective information searches across more data, and achieve better analysis of gang intelligence data. It will allow access to criminal records in the Department and in 46 other municipal police departments. Interaction capabilities with the law enforcement information sharing networks of Orange and San Diego Counties will also be achieved.

The grant period is from October 1, 2009, through September 30, 2012.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

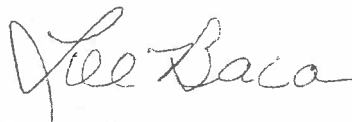
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The District Attorney, the Public Defender, and the Alternate Public Defender have determined that these projects will not have a significant impact upon their respective departments.

CONCLUSION

Upon your Board approval, please return two individually certified copies of the adopted Board letter to the Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leroy D. Baca".

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding \$100,000

Department: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Grant Project Title and Description:

Gang CopLink Program

An upgrade of this program, a gang data and analysis database, will achieve more effective information searches across more data and allow for better analysis of gang intelligence information. The program will allow interaction with the criminal records of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and 46 other municipal police departments, and the information sharing networks of Orange and San Diego Counties.

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Justice,
Bureau of Justice Assistance

Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)

Federal Grant #2009-D1-BX-0118

Grant Acceptance Deadline

October 6, 2009

Total Amount of Grant Funding: \$300,000

County Match: None

Grant Period: 36 months **Begin Date:** October 1, 2009

End Date: September 30, 2012

Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: N/A

Full Time: 0 **Part Time:** 0

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program? Yes ___ No N/A

Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items? Yes ___ No N/A

Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires? Yes ___ No X

If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:

a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services Yes ___ No X

b). Identify other revenue sources Yes ___ No X

(Describe) _____

c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes ___ No X

Impact of additional personnel on existing space: N/A

Other requirements not mentioned above: N/A

Department Head Signature _____

Lee Baca

Date _____

10/06/09